EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING ARCHBISHOP MOELLER HIGH SCHOOL ON WIN-NING OHIO STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. JOHN A. BOEHNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, December 13, 2012

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, as a proud graduate of Archbishop Moeller High School in Cincinnati, I rise today to congratulate and recognize the Crusaders on their recent Ohio State Football Championship.

It is my pleasure to report that on December 1, 2012, the Crusaders won the OHSAA Division I state football championship, defeating Toledo Whitmer High School 20–12. This is Moeller High School's eighth Ohio football championship in the school's storied history.

Under the guidance of Coach John Rodenberg, the 2012 Crusader football team ended its season with a record of 12–3.

As a Crusader from the class of 1968, I congratulate Coach Rodenberg, Athletic Director Barry Borman, Principal Blane Collison, President Bill Hunt, and all the faculty, students, and alumni of the Moeller Family on this tremendous achievement. This victory honors the entire school community and extends the winning tradition of Moeller Football that began decades ago under my friend, coach, and mentor, Gerry Faust.

Moeller High School has provided a center of learning in the finest Marianist tradition for generations of young men from my congressional district and the Greater Cincinnati area. A Catholic school, Moeller has established a reputation for excellence in academics, athetics, faith, and community service, a reputation that is renewed and reinforced by this latest achievement.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives, I proudly salute Coach Rodenberg, the 2012 Crusader football team, the Men of Moeller and the entire Moeller Family for this memorable victory.

HONORING CHIEF CHRIS MOORE UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SAN JOSE POLICE DEPART-MENT

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, December 13, 2012

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge and honor Chief of Police Chris Moore upon his retirement from the San Jose Police Department.

Chris has been a police officer since 1982. He worked for UC Berkeley campus police for three years before joining the San Jose Police Department in 1985. Chris earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from UC Berkeley, a Masters of Public Administration from San Jose

State University, and a Juris Doctorate from Lincoln Law School. In 1999, he was selected as a White House Fellow to serve one year as Counsel to US Attorney General Janet Reno. In 2004, Chris received the Fulbright Police Research Fellowship to study police accountability at the London School of Economics and New Scotland Yard.

In 2011, City Manager Debra Figone appointed Chris as San Jose's 9th Chief of Police since 1912. During his tenure, Chris reached out to minority groups in the community to regain the public's trust. Chris changed the official police handbook to make sure officers are not unfairly profiling members of the public. He implemented a Community Advisory Board and personally met with community members to address their concerns. During talks with the community about the implementation of Secure Communities, Chris reached out to the Latino community and emphasized that he would not be involved in civil immigration enforcement. In 2011, Chris received the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Association's Mover of Mountains award for Public Safety and Community Bridge Building for his efforts.

Chris served as Chair for the Public Safety Alliance. He traveled to Washington to testify before Congress to fund the creation of a broadband network specifically for law enforcement and public safety agencies to move large amounts of video or audio data during an emergency. The bill allows police, firefighters, and other first responders to transmit images, voice, and video back and forth from the field to the emergency room. Police are able to obtain pictures from bank robberies in progress and fire departments are able to obtain building plans en route to calls. When President Obama signed the \$7 billion bill to reallocate the 700 MHz spectrum to first responders, Chris stood behind the President.

Chief Chris Moore is retiring after over 27 years with the San Jose Police Department and I wish him all the best in the years to come. I commend Chris for his valuable service. The community is very fortunate to have benefited from his dedication, commitment, and advocacy. He has left his mark in San Jose and I know he will continue to play a positive role in our community during his retirement.

HONORING AVONDALE, ARIZONA MAYOR MARIE LOPEZ ROGERS ON HER ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 13, 2012

Mr. PASTOR of Arizona. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Avondale, Arizona Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers on her election as President of the National League of Cities (NLC). Mayor Lopez Rogers is the first Latina in NLC

history to lead the advocacy group, which is dedicated to helping city leaders build better communities.

Since she was first elected to the Avondale city council in 1996, Mayor Lopez Rogers has demonstrated a deep commitment to public service. From her time on the council to when she was elected as Avondale's first Latina mayor in 2006, Mayor Lopez Rogers has been instrumental in transforming Avondale from a once tiny community to one of the nation's fastest growing municipalities.

Having served in local, state, and national organizations such as on the board of the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO), as a member of the League of Arizona Cities & Towns' Executive Committee, and as President of the Arizona Women in Municipal Governments, Mayor Lopez Rogers' skills and talents have reached well beyond Avondale.

In 2011, Mayor Lopez Rogers was recognized by President Barack Obama for her dedication to and accomplishments in local government at a national conference of Hispanic leaders. Additionally, she has received the Hispanic Leadership Institute-West Public Service Award, the Valle Del Sole Profiles of Success 2009 Special Recognition Award, and the 2010 Jacque Steiner Public Leadership Award for Children from Children's Action Alliance.

Mayor Lopez Rogers knows the meaning of hard work and does not shy away from a challenge. She worked alongside her parents in a farm labor camp as a girl and then became the first member of her family to go to college. Today, as the head of NLC, I am confident she will use her resolve to fight for initiatives important to cities in Arizona and across the United States.

I have known Mayor Lopez Rogers and her family for over thirty years and I extend my sincerest appreciation for the support and friendship they have shown to me.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the many achievements of Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers and in wishing her the best during her tenure as President of the National League of Cities.

HONORING RICHARD H. (DICK) PLAND

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 13, 2012

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor Tuolumne County Supervisor Richard H. (Dick) Pland on his retirement from the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors and to thank him for his dedicated, life-long spirit of community service.

Richard Pland has been a resident of Tuolumne County for 53 years; and throughout his life in Tuolumne County, Dick has served with distinction in both the private and public sectors.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor. Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor. Dick is well known and respected throughout the state of California for his knowledge and contributions to the forest industry. In 41 years of private service in the forest industry, 38 of those were in Tuolumne County. During his forestry career, Dick was a member of TuCARE and the California Licensed Foresters Association. He also served as a Director of the California Forestry Association, President of the Sierra Cascade Logging Conference, and received the 1990 California "Logger of the Year" award.

Dick's private sector contributions also included 15 years of service as a Director of El Capitan Bank, and his legacy of leadership within the public sector began early when Dick served as a Platoon Leader with the United States Marine Corps. While balancing his career in forestry with raising a family, Dick still found the time to serve for 30 years on the Tuolumne County Board of Education.

Mr. Pland is wrapping up a 16-year run as the District 5 representative on the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors. During his time on the Board, Supervisor Pland was frequently called upon to bring common sense and effective leadership to some of the most difficult challenges facing the County, such as the decision to privatize Tuolumne General Hospital; advocating for sound budgetary goals and policies helping to navigate the County through "The Great Recession"; chairing numerous Board Committees aimed at improving County land use and regulatory policies: creating the Tuolumne County Economic Development Authority; establishing the Board's Natural Resources Committee: and championing healthy forest practices within the Stanislaus National Forest to promote the long-term health and sustainability of the forest as well as to reinvigorate forest-based iobs. With such accomplishments, it is easy to understand why Dick was selected to receive the Tuolumne County Chamber of Commerce's "Excellence in Government Award" in

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Tuolumne County Supervisor Dick Pland on his retirement and thanking him for his exemplary leadership, service to the community, and his time on the Board of Supervisors.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF MARIAN R. CAREY

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, December 13, 2012

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Marian R. Carey, whose exemplary leadership in serving as my Deputy District Director and Director of Constituent Services raised constituent services to the highest level possible—making the 10th Congressional District Office of Ohio the most impactful, responsive and successful constituent response center of any Congressional District Office in the nation.

For fourteen years, Ms. Carey directed and oversaw a multileveled and ever-evolving system of federal services available to constituents. Her expertise in legislative services, federal regulations and procedures, as well as her knowledge of government and non-profit programs and agencies, allowed her and my

entire District staff to successfully conduct an immense amount of complex casework in a streamlined, effective manner—built upon an unyielding foundation of support and collaboration.

During her tenure, Ms. Carey created critical partnerships with numerous leaders throughout local and federal government agencies, non-profit organizations, and the private sector. These key bonds supported constituent casework efforts by fostering mutual cooperation between our staff and outside agencies, which were vital elements needed to secure successful outcomes in resolving issues—many of them dire—for tens of thousands of constituents who sought our help.

Beyond her dynamic leadership in the area of constituent casework, Ms. Carey also successfully developed and managed the United States Military Academy Nomination Program. Due to her efforts, doors were opened for many young men and women from the Cleveland community, who were accepted onto this historic pathway of educational opportunity and service to our nation.

Consistently reflecting grace under fire, integrity, kindness, professionalism, a sense of fairness, a calm demeanor and a disarming wit, Ms. Carey gained the trust and respect of constituents, colleagues and community leaders. Whether helping an elderly veteran in need, a young man coming home from the war in desperate need of services, or a young woman suffering from mental illness, Ms. Carey left no pathway unexamined and never wavered in her commitment to find the assistance and resolution needed.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of Marian R. Carey, Director of Constituent Services and Deputy District Director of the 10th Congressional District of Ohio. Her leadership, tenacity, dedication and accomplishment raised my work into the light of the American consciousness, as she, without fail, maintained the strongest framework of casework service possible—casework which will have a lasting impact on the lives of thousands of citizens and their families. I am forever grateful and honored to have had the opportunity to walk beside her on this journey of public service.

DEPARTING MEMBERS OF THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, December 13, 2012

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the departing Democratic Members from California who have faithfully served their constituents as representatives in the U.S. Congress. I would like to commend my colleagues Reps. PETE STARK, HOWARD BERMAN, Bob Filner, LYNN WOOLSEY, JOE BACA, and LAURA RICHARDSON for their years of service. Their achievements have not only helped their constituents, they have helped create a better America.

Mr. Speaker, Golden State Members have never known Congress without PETE STARK in it. Elected in 1972, PETE STARK is the longest serving Member from California and serves as our delegation's Dean. His list of accomplish-

ments is long and impressive. As one of the highest ranking Democrats on the Ways and Means Committee, and Ranking Member and former Chair of the Subcommittee on Health. PETE has been a vocal leader and advocate for ensuring that all Americans have access to affordable health care. From creating COBRA. creating electronic and easily transferrable medical records, or in helping to draft the historic health care reform bill, PETE has fought tirelessly for better patient care at lower cost. As his long-serving Chief of Staff said recently in Roll Call, ". . . no one can guestion Pete Stark's commitment to those who don't have a voice and his firm belief that government is here to improve people's lives. He has never wavered in his willingness to challenge special interests and take on powerful groups in order to pursue the right public policy." PETE's compassion and determination will be missed.

Our next longest-serving Member, HOWARD BERMAN, has been an extraordinary Member since 1983. As the Ranking Member and former Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, he has worked to strengthen U.S. relations with foreign governments abroad and keep Americans safe. Widely-regarded as a brilliant and effective legislator in the House, some of his biggest accomplishments include programs critical to the global fight against HIV/AIDS and improving U.S. foreign aid programs. And as a colleague and senior Member on the Judiciary Committee, he has valiantly fought on behalf of immigrants. His role in drafting immigration law is unique and important. When we disagree on copyright and patent issues, I still consider HOWARD a friend. I will deeply miss his bipartisanship and legislative prowess.

Bob Filner was elected in 1992 to Congress and is widely known for his commitment to our service men and women. As the Ranking Member and previous Chairman on the Veterans' Affairs Committee, Bob Filner worked to ensure that our veterans receive increased healthcare services, low interest-rates for home loans, and helped pass the GI Bill for veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars. Bob also had a long history as a civil rights activist and professor. Fortunately, we'll continue to work with him as he was elected—and is now serving—as the Mayor of San Diego.

As a senior Member on the Education and Labor Committee, and Ranking Member and former Chair of the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, LYNN WOOLSEY has been a tireless fighter to protect working Americans by improving working conditions and legislating equal pay. As a colleague of mine on the Science, Space and Technology Committee, she has supported clean energy initiatives and the preservation of our fragile ecosystem, including protecting the California coastline. First elected in 1992, in the year of the woman, LYNN WOOLSEY certainly helped put a few more cracks in that glass ceiling, and she now leaves Congress in a year that saw a record number of women elected to the House and Senate.

As a senior member on the Agriculture Committee, JOE BACA has worked to preserve and ensure that our most needy families have access to nutritious food. First elected to Congress in 1999, JOE also served as Chair of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus during the 110th Congress and is a member of the House Financial Services Committee.